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TO: All Child Nutrition Program Sponsors

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ATTENTION: Food Services Directors

SUBJECT: Family Size and Income Determinations for Military Families

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This Management Bulletin (MB) provides information regarding income determinations for military families.

The United States Department of Agriculture has issued instructions that individuals called to active duty in response to national events should be considered temporarily absent from the household. As a result, deployed military service personnel should not be included in determinations of household size and income for meal eligibility. However, if part of the individual's income is returned to the household, then that portion should be counted along with the other sources of household income.

For further information refer to "Eligibility Guidance for Centers" pages 11-12, and "Eligibility Guidance for School Meals Manual" pages 32-33 issued in MB 01-117.

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